The Man Who Plotted for Fifteen Years to Overthrow the Manchu China Association and Kih Ming Tong Dynasty and for Whose Head Rewards Aggregating \$500,000 Were Offered.

visional Military Assembly at Nankin.

and through which this way little man though payment upon delivery might be ing some cement barrels in the cellar has been wriggling and back tracking doubtful has been wriggling and back tracking doubtful. mand the attention of the world. During the latter years of his activity has been and narrow, ascetic features of this Dr. He took long chances, apparently he Sun, now in Singapore, now in London, suffered many close calls from death, now in San Francisco.

There had been little paragraphs in There is confusion as to where Dr. Sun with it people outside of China crucked China, was his birthplace. jokes about a faker, a charlatan, who at home to his own benefit.

est that the revolution, which had started in Canton and Hongkong. the world for so many years were one he began and with what material nobody organization to the creed of revolt.

Sun Yat Sen revolutionist in the most striven for and plotted through channels against the Manchus.

ramifications have made mole tracks of his life is that as President of united; through every land where Chinamen China he still bears upon his head a price badly planned and badly executed. These this man is now President of the totalling about 700,000 tacks or \$500,000, are the few facts of the attempt that herepublic of China by decree of the Pro- The rewards for his head, offered by pro- came known to foreigners: the underground passages of authorities in Pekin during the lass fifteen attached to one of the Christian missions plot and intrigue the nature of which no years have not been recalled, so far as in Canton received a note from some Occidental could hope to understand the news from the capital shows, even

or more than a dozen years, a new Ye the fact that his head was worth when the feeling of uncasiness was in national figure suddenly jumps to com- handreds of "shoes" of silver during all years past the world has occasionally one of the lightest burdens that Dr. Sun danger of violence should an outbreak aught glimpses of the round black head has carried about at his narrow shoulders. but he persisted

the world's news about an agriator, a was born. Some sources of fragmentary information to the Viceroy and troops radical, a Chinese Red, who seemed to details about his life say that he was born were sent to the chapel basement. In be tilting with straws at the impregnable in Hawai, the son of a wealthy merchant citadel of the Manchu clan in Pekin. The in the islands. More trustworthy authorirevolution began in China, and even then, ties have it that Hong-shan, a town in due to arrive in Canton by boat from when the name of Sun Vat Sen was coupled. Kwang-tung province, in the south of Hongkong the next day.

was trying to capitalize the upheaval the when he was a young man he was studying medicine under the care of an by troops and many of the passengers Then over night things happened in English physician in Hongkong. Thence were arrested and subsequently beheaded China. The next morning the world he went to England and after study in a Sun Yat Sen was warned of the failure of issued at its breakfast table that out of preparatory school he was graduated his plot in time to permit him to escape the welter and uproar of revolution in from a medical college and returned to aboard a steamer bound for the United old China a leader had risen to gird an China. He practised the new medicine, States. ancient hand under new harness of gov- against which there was a violent prejuernment. And it also became mani- dice on the part of the Chinese in Macao, head and his wanderings began. He

but the closest of his associates knows.

trate the jealous conservatism of the vanced thinkers among the young Chinese of the south. Under various names, (Cut Idfe Society) these organizations coalesced and spread slowly through south China, particularly in Kwang-tung and Szechuen provinces, which have always leaned strongest toward rebellion

onservative land under heaven, fugi- not yet known, has succeeded. Sun Yat It must have become apparent to the tive for lifteen years from the keenest. Sen is the man of the hour in China. Young reformer early in the game that and most relentless trailers of men, hidden. An odd circumstance that brings an the Chinese could do nothing through sport of strange, secret societies whose added thrill of romance into the story peaceful means, for in 150 he started his first revolution. It was a pitiful failure,

Chinese requesting the privilege of storthe air and foreigners had been warned to take ship for Hongkong to avoid the

The missionary in charge of the chapel saw the note about the cement barrels. grew suspicious and carried it to the American Consul. He in turn gave the the meanwhile word came to the Vicerov that several hundred revolutionists were

The barrels in the chape' were found Wherever his birthplace, it is established to contain guns and ammunition. The incoming boats from Hongkong were met

Then the first reward was put on ! concerted movements in the heart | Dr. Sun is 43 now, he was scarcely more preaching revolution to the Chinese in of China and spread with the rapidity than 25 when he began to move for the the great colony there; he allied himself



spent several months in San Francisco DR. SUN YAT SEN, ELECTED PRESIDENT OF THE CHINESE REPUBLIC.

English friends had warned him to through a certain street two Chinese of a powder train and the little man who spreading of a revolutionary spirit in the had been dodging and twisting through hearts of his countrymen. Just where his influence converted the whole secret Legation, for there he would technically them to their lodgings, where they could be on Chinese soil and could be arrested, discuss the revolution at home. Then he travelled eastward, finally but these friends either neglected to tell he demurred they seized him and pushed Sun Yat Sen started many revolutions. It seems that his first idea was for re- taking up a temporary residence in Lon- Dr. Sun where the legation was or he him through the door of a nearby house Each was stronger than the last; each form through peaceful means, if it were don. There one of the most serious ad- forgot the directions they gave him. At It was the Chinese Legation. achieved a little more. The final one, possible for the Chinese people to pene- ventures of his whole career befell him. any rate one day as he was walking. A white man, who was Sir Halliday

ster, and the windows were nailed night.

bribe an English ser ant to carry a mes- form Cadets became a widespread orsage, telling of his plight, to a Dr. Cantile, ganization. American drillmasters were one of his friends. Dr. Cantile laid hired to coach them; they had target practhe matter before the Government, which | tice and they gave exhibition drills. took immediate action. The building was seeing the futility of longer holding bim technically an armed band of aliens on the Chinese Minister turned Sun loose.

to the Far East and began to hatch an- Dr. Sun in China and identified himself

operated. But because he was not thor- despatches from China say, as military adoughly wise in the matter of some Japa- viser to the new Governemnt. nese business policies he was swindled out | When the last revolution began Dr. Sun by one Nakimura.

Dr. Sun managed to slip across the to Shanghai. ower border into Annam disguised as a The new President of China possesses a blind beggar. No sooner was he across personality that is puzzling to the Occithe border than he began again, wander- dental. He has been described by foring from one Chinese colony to another eigners who have met him as almost com-Straits Settlements, over in the Philip- tightly stretched countenance over which

pines; always preaching revolution. not at all of Sun's doing and was entirely unaccented. out of sympathy with his schemes, the "He gives one the impression of being Empress Dowager seemed to be bitten rather a sound and thorough than a brillshe promised much for China that raised Dr. Sun, "rather a thinker than a man of the hopes of the new element. But action. He does not use the dramatic Kang Yu-wei, one of the reformers with eloquence which appeals to the imaginawhom Sun had been allied, travelled too tions and passions of the masses and which fast in his efforts to win the ear of the is usually found in political and religious puppet Emperor, was betrayed by Yuan reformers of the ordinary kind. He speaks Shih Kai, so it was said, and had to flee quietly, almost monotonously, with hardly to save his head. Then the old woman any gestures, but the intent way in which forgot her dreams of reform and laid a his audience listens to every word shows heavy hand on all reformers with reach. the powerful effect he is able to exert over Once more Sun escaped.

Macartaey, English secretary of the lega- Back he came to America, and he added tion, told Sun that he was under arrest a new detail to his propaganda. He and that he would be secretly taken out found a young graduate of Leland Stanof London and back to Carnon. The ford University, Homer Lee, who was prisoner was locked in a room on the top | military mad and incidentally an enthusifloor of the legation until arrangements ast on the subject of freedom for China. Could be made for his official kidnapping. Lee was made General of the Reform Ca-dets, who were Chinese youths of San the window weighted with coins, but one Francisco, fitted out with uniforms and of them was picked up by one of the guns and taught to do the hey foot legation servants and shown to the Min- straw foot in hired halls night after

The idea spread to other cities in the In his desperation Sun managed to United States and to Manila. The Re-

Out in San Francisco the agents of the hedged about by detectives and police- Chinese Government once tried to prevail men so closely that the prisoner could upon the city and State authorities to not be smuggled out to a steamer. Finally break up the organization because it was the Chinese Minister turned Sun loose. American soil. The effort failed. Gen.

The nervy little doctor wentright back Lee engaged in some daring business for other revolution against his enemies.

This time it was from Japan that he ment that now he is mentioned, so the

of all the funds he had raised to buy arms was in Portland, Ore. He came east; first to Chicago and then to Washington, Heleft Japan and went to live in Singa- Philadelphia and New York, screening He slipped into China again and his movements so secretly that except for started another uprising. This too was one occasion when he was accosted by a ill timed and many patriots lost their reporter in New York his movements heads under the executioner's heavy could not be traced. He went from New York to London and thence by ship back

Annam. in Tonkin, down in the monplace in his appearance, with a thin, no flicker of emotion is allowed to pass. After the Boxer uprising, which was His voice is pitched low and is flat and

the general sentiment for/reform and lant man," one commentator wrote of them.

PERSIA'S FIGHTING VOLUNTEERS, THE FIDAIS.

the despatches lead to the belief that the own brigands.

has occurred to many persons after read- to a man, because it is only the Armenian ing the despatches from St. Petersburg, who has sufficient patriotism to fight like Teheran and London about events in a real soldier, although he is only a volun-Persia, all of which seem to agree on one teer, and in time of peace he vends his point, that the invacing Cossacka met wares and follows his trade. The average with a surprise when they encountered. Persian soldier is not a brave man, and for the Persian Fidais at Tabriz and Resht, that reason if it were not for the Fidais From whatever angle they are written, the country would be helpless against her

Fidais fought with a tury born of fanati- "It is only these volunteers who keep cism rather than bravery, and yet one the robber bands under any sort of sub-man in New York who should know says jection, and even as it is the caravans are that the Fidais are really Christian Armes robbed constantly by brigands, who make nians fighting for a Mohamboodan povern- off with consignments of rugs and other ment, but doing it became they have no merchandise and sell them for whatever

publicly and told him that his army had population that the love of liberty is the practically saved the capital from capstrongest and there can be found the ture by the ex-Shah's forces, and said people who have brought about the Perhe had ordered a diamond encrusted sian constitutional government. sword which was to be presented to Yep- "In Resht, with its 40,000 population rem by a grateful nation.

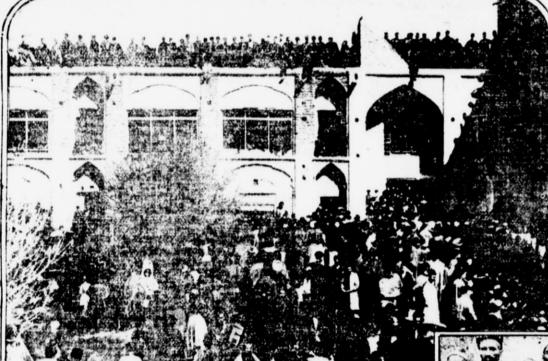
ancient native tribe, which also figured guard of Cossasks appeared."
in the overthrow of the revolution. Yep-

Teheran sent for Yeprem, embraced him villages, because it is in

a grateful nation.

Armenian commander informed in the textile trades, and in Tabriz, which the Government that he couldn't take is a great commercial city of 180,000 pophthe gift unless a similar present were lation, the Fidais took arms to oppose offered to the chief of the Bakhtiari, the the Russians as soon as the advance

rem was modest enough to insist that were rallying to the defence of the counothers deserved as much praise as him- try against Ali Mirza's attempt to regain



LATEST PHOTOGRAPH OF AHMAD - MIRZA



thought of religion when their country is price they can get. The Persian soldiers

now one of the secretaries of the Armenian of fifty robbers in a burry." Colonial Association at 51 Lexington ave- Col. Newton said that the term Fidais nue, who was for many years an officer really came to be applied to volunteer in the Shah's army and was secretary of soldiers during the past year, when the at all," but the Fidais are under no circum- the Persian army is a farce stances to be confused with the army.

and who require only the word of a man dertook to reorganize the Persian army and who require only the word of a man dertook to reorganize the Persian army little use in opposing a Russian attack.

Government called for volunteers among that had no military training, but sprang think," sald Col. Nevton, "During the they trust to lead them into battle to dead them into

. will not give chase to the brigands, but This man is Col. Mesrop Nevton Khan. I have known five Fidais to scatter a band

the Persian Legation at Washington until Government called for volunteers to deabout two years ago. Col Neyton's fend the country against the efforts of Ali opinion of the Persian army in general Mirza, the deposed Shah, to get back on he summarized in three words, "Nothing the throne. This was necessary because On paper Persia has an army of about The Fidais are what you would call in \$1,000 men, including nominally seventy-

America the volunteers," said Col. Nevton. I nine battalions of infantry numbering With the meaning of 'devoted,' the word from 400 to 1,000 men each, with about is used constantly in Persia. 15,000 irregular cavalry, 5,000 artillery, When the Persian tells you that he is 5,000 road and frontier guards, and most grateful to you for a kindness, he says important of all, the Cossack brigade Fldat shevem, which means. I am your composed of artillery, horse and foot, of devoted slave.' For that reason the term about 1,800 men. Fidais came to mean persons devoted to. The members of the Cossack brigade

has always been commanded by Russian troublesome in his effort to overturn the the field. They were headed by Yeprem, forces were put to rout the Regent at they sprang up in the cities and larger than in action.

a cause, and now it is understood in Persia are the only real soldiers Persia has," officers, and costs about \$250,000 a year. constitutional government, and it was an Armenian leader, whose name would mean those volunteers who will spring said Col. Nevton. "It was organized Under the circumstances it is plain that generally supposed that Russia did not be Ephraim in English. arms when their country is threatened under the Russian mission which untracted would have been of look unkindly upon his efforts, the Persian "He is a man now about 50 years old, who rural tribesmen, as many persons seem to

KING COTTON'S EMPIRE, was about 7,000,000 bales, and this was prices go below seven cents there will will supply the world with enough cotton

Has Doubled in Ten Years.

school property, which was about \$550 .-000,000 in 1900, had doubled ten years

\$6.620,000. The average length of the numbering 900,000 in 1910, as compared public school term was extended from with 520,000 in 1900.

The productive fund of universities. 144 to 158 days, and the average attend-218 in number in 1910. The number of

During the same period the annual of men teachers increasing from \$46.50 income increased from \$220,000,000 to \$425,000,000; while the annual appropriations to teachers grew from \$2,769,000 to in high schools showed a marked gain.

hands before it reaches the soldier that he

is fortunate if he gets 10 cents a month.

The soldiers are accordingly obliged to

for active service. They are untrained,

and in most cases have no uniforms

They know nothing of discipline.

ance of children enrelled increased from from \$166,175,000 to \$278,425,000, and the 99 to 114 days. The public high schools, annual income of those institutions from which numbered 6,005 in 1900, were 16, sources other than endowment was aug-218 in number in 1910. The number of mented from \$28,500,000 to \$77.806,000 in

the ten year period.

The students in those establishments grew in number of public school teachers increased from 423,000 to 512,000 in the course of the decade.

The salaries of teachers were augmented during the ten year period, those

trousers and loose shirt, the costume having a certain amount of red in its makeup. While some of the soldlers wear the regulation Persian lamb cap, others wear a jaunty triangular headpiece which is decorated with tassels on each corner. Thus attired, the Fidais are far less dangerous in appearance than in action. Skating Under Parasols.

substantial voice in the government and

"If the massacres have been as serion

to conceal themselves when there is danger of a massacre, but the Persian fatalists, who think no barm can come to Mohammedans, are easy victims." The uniform of the Fidais, said Col.

8 lf. His request was carried out, and his power the ex-Shah sent many emistwo diamond encrusted swords were saries to them, promising to give them a

in final recognition of his services he was medans. They told him they were fight

made chief of the Persian police. He ing for the constitution irrespective of

has had no hand in the fighting at Tabriz religion, and when Ali Mirza found the

and Resht, but I am convinced that the couldn't be moved he assured them the Fidais in those cities are commanded by terrible things would happen to the

Col. Nevton said that while the total as reported in Tabriz and Resht," said

annual expenditure for the army amounts Col. Nevton, "I am convinced that the

to about one-third of the total revenues Fidais have suffered less than the Per-

of the Government, the pay of the ordisians. The Armenians are acute enough

nary soldiers has to pass through so many to conceal themselves when there is

have some other means of livelihood, and are not very useful when called on for active service. They are untrained, to the continuous training over each shoulder, tight military trousers and loose shirt, the costume

Armenians who are emulating his ex- when he regained his throne.

Arches in honor of Yeprem were asking them what business they had to erected in many parts of Teheran, and interfere in a fight between Moham-

> Dr. Aked in the Christian Herald. I have seen sunshine, oh, sunshine as splendid as yours, amongst my beloved mountains in Switzerland! You know what cold is and what warmth is. But do you know what warm cold is?

Did you ever live a whole winter through glowing because the frost was so warm? Do you know the wonders of blue ice.

Tee Big for Him to Monopolize Room for Other Crop Monarchs.

gent farming methods are constantly inreasing the average yield.

About 18 000,000 bales have been grown n the United States this season. In the season of 1882-83 there was a crop which was, at that time, looked upon as quite as large as this year's crop is considered

The phenomenal crop of that season

vious record yield. The first shipment of cotton from this country to Europe

exported from this country and only six other monarchs of the world of agribags in 1786. It might be mentioned that culture there early shipments were probably rather poor cotton, for it is recorded that they remained for some time in warehouses in Liverpool before a purchase could be found.

The talk just now is of a great reduction of the cotton acreage next spring. If with intelligent farming 30,000,000 acres

may see 2,000,000 bales more than the world The South, given a fairly good season, can raise more cotton than the world needs. The acreage could be increased to many times 35.0% 000 (about what was planted this last season) and more intelligent farming methods are constantly increased for the country and only six.

In 1785 only five bags of cotton were society along with King Corn and the society along with King Corn and the society along with King Corn and the country and only six.

The South can raise almost anything Alabama can raise more corn per acre than can Ohio. A one crop land can have only periodical prosperity. There is more money in raising most other things, if you understand how, than in growing

nearly 500,000 bales larger than the pre-views record yield. The first shipment for one season; and then the next season very low priced cotton will cause an awakening a period of low prices would in the end be a blessing to the Southern States, for the South can raise es, for the South can raise more cotton is needed and it is suicidal for it OUR BILLION DOLLAR SCHOOLS. Value of the National Educational Plant

> The amount of money invested in schools in this country has increased enormously during the last decade. According to Bradstreet's the value of publi